

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re the Application of:

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Examiner: **Ka Chun A Leung**

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For: **DEVICE FOR CONTROLLING THE TEMPERATURE OF
FLUIDS CIRCULATING IN A HEAT ENGINE VEHICLE
AND METHOD USED BY SAID DEVICE**

Attorney Docket Number: **PSA0315272**

Customer Number: **29980**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

October 16, 2008

Sir:

This paper is submitted in response to the Official Action dated September 16, 2008.

In the Office Action, Applicants are required to elect one of the following groups of claims for prosecution in this application:

Group (I), claims 1-17, directed to a temperature control device comprising the first heat-transfer liquid/lubricating oil exchanger and a method for controlling the temperature of the oil

Group (II), claims 1, 3, and 18, drawn to the circulation of the heat-transfer liquid in the heat-transfer liquid/recirculation exhaust gases exchanger and the heat storage means

Group (III), claims 1, 15, and 19-22, drawn to the circulation of the heat-transfer liquid in the means for heat exchange between the heat-transfer fluid and the air in the passenger compartment of the vehicle

Applicant(s) hereby elect(s) the subject matter of **Group (I), Claims 1-17** for prosecution in this application. This election is made **without traverse**, and it is understood that Applicants' rights to the filing of a divisional application directed to the non-elected subject matter under 35

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U.S.C. §120 and 35 U.S.C. §121 are retained.

In the event there is, in the Examiner's opinion, any outstanding issue and such issue may be resolved by means of a telephone interview, the Examiner is respectfully requested to contact the undersigned attorney at the telephone number listed below.

In the event this paper is not considered to be timely filed, the Applicants hereby petition for an appropriate extension of the response period. Please charge the fee for such extension and any other fees which may be required to our Deposit Account No. 502759.

Respectfully submitted,

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